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3. [X] Consideration of the following list of additional information (including any copending or abandoned U.S. application, prior uses and/or sales, etc.) is requested.

U.S. Application Serial No. 10/553,006

4. For each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449, reference is made to:
- a. ☒ a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,
 - b. ☒ a foreign patent office communication (with English translation) submitted herewith,
 - c. ☐ the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page,
 - d. ☒ the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
 - e. ☒ the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:

The US '994 reference cited on the attached PTO-1449 form corresponds to the DE '740 reference which is also cited on this form.

5. ☒ A foreign patent office communication citing one or more of the references is enclosed.
6. ☒ Comments:

An Office Action was mailed June 13, 2007 in related U.S. application Serial No. 10/553,006, which is referred to in item 3 above. A copy of that Office Action is enclosed herewith. The four U.S. patent documents on the PTO-892 form attached to the Office Action are cited on the attached PTO-1449 form.

Further, for the counterpart German application (Application No. 11 2004 000 609.0-43) of the above-mentioned related US patent application (Application No. 10/553,006), Applicant has received an Official Letter issued on March 30, 2007. There are three references cited therein, and among them, the following two references were newly cited. Applicant encloses herewith the following documents:

- 1. Official Letter from the German Patent Office,
- 2. English translation of the Official Letter from the German Patent Office,
- 3. JP 2002367433 A with an English translation (machine translation by the JPO), and
- 4. DE 10104740 A1.

In addition, for one of the basic Japanese applications (Application No. JP2004-000367) of the above-mentioned related US patent application (Application No. 10/553,006), a Notification of Reasons for Refusal was issued on November 22, 2006. Applicant encloses herewith the following documents:


5. Notification of Reasons for Refusal from the JPO,
6. English translation of the Notification of Reasons for Refusal from the JPO,
7. JP2003-15278 with an English abstract, and
8. JP 11-185523 with an English abstract.

Furthermore, for one the basic Japanese applications (Application No. JP2003-107988) of the present U.S. application, a Notification of Decision to Grant was issued on July 3, 2007. There were five Japanese publications cited therein as references, and one publication, JP6-32845, has not been submitted in an IDS in the present application. Accordingly, Applicant encloses the following documents:

9. Notification of Decision to Grant from the JPO, and
10. JP6-32845 with an English abstract.

Respectfully submitted,

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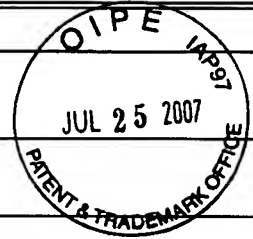
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| | AL | 11-185523 | 7/1999 | Japan | | | | |
| | AM | 6-32845 | 2/1994 | Japan | | | | |
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OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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